PATENT APPLICATION

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Group Art Unit: 1648

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In re the Application of Jean-Noel TELLES et al.

Application No.: 09/980,777

Filed: February 20, 2002

TECH CENTER 100/200 SEARCH METHOD FOR RESISTANCE TO ANTI-PROTEASES OF A STRAIN OF THE HIV 2 For: VIRUS FROM A BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE TAKEN FROM A PATIENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

Small entity status of this application has been established.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	*26 MINUS	**20	=6	
INDEP CLAIMS	*2 MINUS	***3	=0	
☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY			
RATE	ADD'L FEE		
x 9	\$		
x 42	\$		
+140	\$		
	\$		

OTHER THAN A				
SMALL ENTITY				
ΩR	RATE	ADD'L FEE		
	x 18	\$ 108		
	x 84	\$		
ΩR	+280	\$		
		\$ 108		

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election of Species Requirement mailed May 19, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 6 as follows:

6. (Amended) Method according to claim 4, wherein said test is carried out using sequencing techniques, according to known methods.

Please add the following new claims 15-26:

- 15. (New) The method of claim 4, wherein said mutation in the sequence of the gene is one corresponding to a mutation at one of positions 45, 54, 64, 84 and 90 of the protease.
 - 16. (New) The method of claim 15, wherein said position is position 45.
 - 17. (New) The method of claim 15, wherein said position is position 54.
 - 18. (New) The method of claim 15, wherein said position is position 64.

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